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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New Divisional PATENT APPLICATION:

Based on Parent Application No. 08/188,417)
Parent Filed on January 24, 1994)
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Applicant(s): Pierre LASSON et al.)
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Application No.: 09/881,747)
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Filed: June 18, 2001)
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For: POLYMER COMPOSITIONS INTENDED)
FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF PIPES)
FOR CONVEYING HYDROCARBONS)
AND ARTICLES BASED ON THESE)
COMPOSITIONS)
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Attorney Docket: 32232-172620)

SECOND
PRELIMINARY
AMENDMENT

U.S.P.T.O. Customer No.



July 30, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20031

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 6 and 7 to read as follows:

6. (Amended) A pipe including at least one layer consisting of a composition comprising a PVDF homopolymer and at least one fluorocopolymer, where in the composition comprises, by weight,

(A) approximately from 60 to 80 % of at least one PVDF homopolymer;

(B) approximately from 20 to 40% of at least one thermoplastic copolymer of vinylidene fluoride (VF₂) and of at least one other fluoromonomer, present in this copolymer in weight proportions of approximately 5 to 25%;

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